

# The Avalanche

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

O. PALMER,  
Editor and Proprietor.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.

For One Year, \$2.00  
For Three Months, \$1.00

1906.

CRAWFORD COUNTY

## FARMERS INSTITUTE.

GRAYLING

Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 10 & 11.

Henry Funk, Pres.  
Geo. F. Owen, Judge, Secy.  
L. R. Taitt, Agr'l College,  
State Superin. Farmers' Institutes.

## Program.

H. B. Cannon, Rochester, Conductor.  
Monday—Forenoon.  
9:45—Introductory Remarks.  
H. Funk, Pres.  
Rev. Pillmeyer  
10:00—"The Soil," Farmers' Bank.  
H. B. Cannon.  
10:30—Discussion by L. Parker  
11:00—"Poultry on the Farm."  
Mrs. F. A. Campbell.  
11:30—Discussion led by Mrs. E. Cobb  
Afternoon.  
1:00—Question Box, in charge of  
Mrs. E. A. Campbell.  
1:30—"Growing Crops with and without  
a Silo." H. B. Cannon.  
2:00—Discussion led by J. Malco  
Recitation by D. Martin  
2:30—"The Home Dairy."  
Mrs. A. E. Campbell.  
3:00—Discussion led by  
Mrs. W. S. Chalker.  
"The best paying crop for farm  
ers." Hubbard Head.  
3:30—"What stock should we keep."  
Fred Hosel.

Evening.

7:00—Music.  
7:30—"The Big with Holes."  
Mrs. E. A. Campbell.  
Recitation... Miss F. L. Niles  
8:00—"Habit."  
H. B. Cannon.  
Music.  
8:45—"The Home Beautiful."  
G. W. Brott.

Tuesday—Forenoon.

9:45—"The Dairy Cow and her Care."  
H. B. Cannon.  
10:45—Discussion led by W. Chalker.  
Mrs. E. A. Campbell.  
11:15—"Birds, the Farmers Friends."  
Mrs. E. A. Campbell.  
11:45—Business Meeting of County  
Institute Society.  
Reports and election of officers  
and other business.

Afternoon.

1:00—Question Box, in charge of H.  
Funk.  
1:30—"Potato Culture." H. B. Cannon  
2:00—Discussion, led by P. Ostrander  
Recitation.  
2:30—"The Rural School Course of  
Study." Prin. C. T. Crawn.  
Central Normal School, Mt.  
Pleasant.  
Evening.  
7:00—Music.  
7:20—"Education for Home Makers."  
Mrs. E. A. Campbell.  
Recitation... Prof. Bradley.  
8:00—"The Agricultural College and  
its work." H. B. Cannon.  
Music.  
8:45—"The Home and the School."  
Prin. C. T. Crawn.

## WOMEN'S SECTION.

Mrs. SUSAN FUNK..... Chairman  
Mrs. E. A. CAMPBELL..... State Speaker

Tuesday, December 11.

At Presbyterian Church.  
1:30—Introductory Remarks.  
Mrs. Susan Funk.  
Prayer... Mrs. Pillmeyer  
Song... Mrs. Osborne  
2:00—"Want to eat and why?"  
Mrs. E. A. Campbell.  
2:15—Discussion led by Mrs. Brott  
Reading.  
3:15—"What should Children read?"  
Mrs. L. Fountner.  
3:30—Discussion led by Mrs. Amos  
4:45—Election of Officers.  
Music  
Adjournment.

One of the problems of the larger cities is that of the smoke nuisance and various methods have been introduced to obviate this. The most original move in this line, however, has just been made in Washington, where all railroad engines are forbidden to enter the city. Hereafter trains are to be towed into the city by an electric motor, like a tug. The engine is to be disconnected outside the city and only the car will enter. It is doubtful just how much smoke the engines have been responsible for. They have evidently been a difficult nuisance to deal with, and one that usually escapes attention. An engine is not so very like an ordinary chimney, but probably less important a nuisance than many of the plants that are usually closely watched. There is no reason why an exception should be made in their favor if the ordinance is to be rigidly enforced. The recent order, however, probably stamps Washington as the most stringent city in the country in regard to the smoke problem.

# Crawford Avalanche

O. PALMER,

JUSTICE AND RIGHT.

Publisher and Proprietor.

VOLUME XXIX.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN, DECEMBER 6, 1906.

NUMBER 4.

**The Great Guest Comes.**  
"While the cobbler mused there passed his pane  
A beggar drenched by the driving rain  
He called him in from the stony street  
And gave him shoes for his bruised feet.  
The beggar went and there came a crane  
Her face with wrinkles of sorrow sown.  
A bundle of faggots bowed her back,  
And she was spent with the wrench and rack.  
He gave her his loaf and steadied her load.  
As she took her way on the weary road.  
Then to his door came a little child,  
Lost and afraid in the world so wild,  
In the big, dark world. Catching it up,  
He gave it the milk in the waiting cup  
And lead it home to its mother's arms,  
Out of the reach of the world's alarms.

"The day went down in the crimson west  
And with it the hope of the blessed Guest.  
And Conrad sighed as the world turned gray:  
Why is it Lord, that Your feet delay?  
Did You forget that this was the day?  
Then soft, in the silence a Voice he heard:  
Lift up your heart, for I kept my word.  
Three times I came to your friendly door:

I was the beggar with bruised feet;  
I was the woman you gave to eat;  
I was the child on the homeless street.  
—From a poem by Edwin Markham, in the Dec. Delinicator.

## General Participation.

Foreign Nations and States will Take Part in the Jamestown Exposition in 1907

It is impossible to estimate the value of tangible results that will accrue to States, Municipalities, and foreign countries following participation in the Jamestown Ter-Centennial, at Norfolk, Va., in 1907. Many reasons and advantages combine to make this statement a patent fact, when the importance of the celebration, its geographical location and its unique character is remembered. A slight conception of the favor with which the Exposition has met may be formed, when it is pointed out that more than four-fifths of the available exhibit space has been applied for, seven months before the opening date. The applicants represent every line of domestic and foreign manufacturers and producers, who realize that a similar opportunity for improving commerce and trade conditions generally through out the United States, European and South American countries has never before been offered.

The plan of combining municipal exhibits with manufacturers of cities has struck a popular chord. Commercial organizations are exerting efforts in this direction that promise to result in many cities being represented along this line. It has been satisfactorily shown that the Jamestown Exposition will have an attendance never before equalled, with the possible exception of the Great World's Fair, and the advantages of displaying the varied resources, raw materials, manufactured products, and exploiting inducements to capital seeking investment, will bring results that could never be accomplished through any other business channel.

In response to President Roosevelt's invitation to participate, these nations have accepted, and will be represented either by warships, detachments of troops, or civil delegations, while some will make industrial and technical exhibits: Great Britain, Germany, Russia, Italy, France, Heligoland, Mexico, Venezuela, Denmark, Japan, Costa Rica, Argentina, Republic, Chile, Guatemala, Switzerland, Haiti.

Many of the States of the Union have erected buildings, including Virginia, New York, New Jersey, Missouri, Ohio, Massachusetts, Connecticut, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, Wisconsin, Rhode Island, and several others are expected, while each State will contribute to the great historical, commercial and industrial exhibits. Cities that will participate independently of the States in which they are situated will embrace Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Hartford, Syracuse, Milwaukee, Richmond, all of which will make extensive displays, combining municipal, commercial and industrial features.

The Jamestown Ter-Centennial is a new and distinct departure in Expositions. Former exhibitions have invariably been held in inland cities, and were all of one general character, while this celebration is situated on the shores of the finest and most historic body of water in America, large enough to float the navies of the world, and upon which will be held the greatest naval rendezvous in the world's history.

The Jamestown Ter-Centennial is a new and distinct departure in Expositions. Former exhibitions have invariably been held in inland cities, and were all of one general character, while this celebration is situated on the shores of the finest and most historic body of water in America, large enough to float the navies of the world, and upon which will be held the greatest naval rendezvous in the world's history.

The depth of a sea about six miles is reduced 620 feet by compression; if the ocean were incompressible the level of the surface would be 114 feet higher than it is at present, and about two million square miles of land would be submerged.

**Facts About the Ocean.**  
The depth of a sea about six miles is reduced 620 feet by compression; if the ocean were incompressible the level of the surface would be 114 feet higher than it is at present, and about two million square miles of land would be submerged.

**Dark Churches.**  
Churches are still characterized by the notoriously poor lighting inherited from the dark ages, when the printed word was unknown.—Electrical Magazine.

"Lady Baltimore" Cake.

Beat the whites of six eggs. Take a cup and a half of granulated sugar, a cup of milk, nearly a cup of butter, three cups of flour and two teaspoonsfuls of good baking powder. Sift the flour and baking powder together into the other ingredients, adding the eggs last of all. Bake in two buttered cups for fifteen or twenty minutes. For the frosting: Two cups of granulated sugar and a cup and a half of water. Boil until stringy, about five minutes usually does it. Beat the whites of two eggs very light, and pour the boiling sugar slowly into it, mixing well. Take out of the oven for the top and sides of the cake, and stir into the remainder, for the filling between the two layers, a cup of finely chopped raisins and a cup of chopped nuts. This is delicious when properly baked.

**The Chinese Lily.**

To raise the Chinese sacred lily in water remove the brown dried skin and all the hard callous at the base of the bulbs. Do not separate the bulbs, but take a sharp knife and score the main bulb as though to quarter it, but do not cut more than a quarter of an inch deep. Cut the offshoot also—this wastes the bulb, but develops the foliage growth. Arrange the bulbs in a glass bowl, steady them with pebbles, bits of marble and shells; also put in broken charcoal to keep the water sweet. The water may be changed once or twice before they bloom. Place in a dark cupboard or closet for ten days, until the roots are well started.

**White Christening Cake.**

Cream together two cups butter and four cups sugar. Add two cups sweet milk and eight cups flour, sifted three times, with two small teaspoonsful soda, and four teaspoonsful cream of tartar. Beat well, then at the last fold in the stiffly whipped whites of a dozen eggs. Flavor with almonds or rose and bake slowly in a steady moderate oven. This cake keeps well and remains moist and delicate to the end. The recipe may be halved if a large cake is not required.

**A Laundry Hint.**

In these days of embroidered collars one often finds them roughed edge on the scallops after laundering. A very simple and efficacious remedy has been discovered. Dip the forefinger in cold water and rub along the upper edge of the collar until it feels smooth, and it will no longer scratch the neck. This remedy need not moisten the body of the collar at all, if care is used in smoothing down the rough edge.

**He Relented.**

Restaurant Proprietor—Here's your wages. I don't want such a careless waiter around my place.

Walter—What's the matter?

Restaurant Proprietor—Why, the gentleman ordered sirloin and you served him porterhouse.

Walter—Well, we all make mistakes occasionally.

Then the boss relented.

**Silk Handkerchiefs.**

A silk handkerchief should never be boiled nor have soap rubbed directly upon it if you wish to keep it white. Make a lather of finely shredded white soap and hot water, wash the handkerchief in this and rinse in cold water to remove all soap. Wring and dry quickly in the sun or by the fire, ironing while still damp but not wet.

**For Baby's Cot.**

A very nice quilt may be made for baby's cot from old straw. Cut all worn parts away, join the pieces together flat, and cover both sides with cretonne; then put tapes to each corner to tie to sides of cot, and you will have a very warm and exceedingly light quilt.

**Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde,**

One would think that the use of the phonograph would be anything but a joy to the politician who is liable to change his opinions by the time an other campaign rolls around. Some body might save the record of his speeches and put him in the position of holding a joint debate with himself.

**Playing it safe.**

"Why don't you make a speech that will tell your constituents exactly what you think about this question?" "Because," answered Senator Borgum, "I don't know exactly what I think, and if I did know I don't know that I would want my constituents to know it."—Washington Star.

**Record for Handling Mail.**

The Canadian Pacific Railway company is boasting that it has accomplished the feat of landing British mails in Hong-Kong in 29 days from the dispatch from London, or nearly a week less than the previous record.

**Facts About the Ocean.**

The depth of a sea about six miles is reduced 620 feet by compression; if the ocean were incompressible the level of the surface would be 114 feet higher than it is at present, and about two million square miles of land would be submerged.

**Dark Churches.**

Churches are still characterized by the notoriously poor lighting inherited from the dark ages, when the printed word was unknown.—Electrical Magazine.

easily reached by seven great trunk steamships, which center at the Tidewater cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Newport News.

World's Fairs have been the time-keepers of progress, but the Jamestown Exposition is the advance agent of higher civilization, which will create an era of increased prosperity and material advancement, and at the same time will more realize the prediction to be the greatest, most glorious and novel celebration ever undertaken in the United States or any foreign country.

**Long Tennessee Fight.**

For twenty years W. L. Rawls, of Bellville, Tenn., fought nasal catarrh. He writes: "The swelling and soreness inside my nose was fearful, till I began applying Bucklin's Arnica Salve to the sore surface: this caused the soreness and swelling to disappear, never to return." Beat valve in existence.

The sheriff of Adams Co., Ill., offers \$300.00 reward for the arrest and conviction of John L. Buttler, alias John Hoover, alias John H. Kline, for forgery and false pretense. He works the farmer, pretending to buy their land, gets abstract to examine, forges deed and sells. Catch him and get the money.

**A Western Wonder.**

There's a hill at Bowie, Tex., that's twice as big as last year. This wonder is W. L. Hill; who from a weight of 90 pounds has grown to over 180. He says: "I suffered with a terrible cough, and doctors gave me up to die of Consumption." I was reduced 90 pounds, when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Now, after taking 12 bottles, I have more than doubled in weight and am completely cured." Only sure Cough and Cold Cure. Guaranteed by L. Fournier, druggist. 50¢ and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

**SALESMEN wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.**

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

**SALES** wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

**SALES** wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

**SALES** wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

**SALES** wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

**SALES** wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

**SALES** wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

**SALES** wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

**SALES** wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

# The Avalanche

O. PALMIERI, Publisher.

GRATLING, MICHIGAN.

## LADY ELGIN WRECK.

### GREAT DISASTER RECALLED BY RECENT DEATH.

**Edward Mellon, Who Had Remarkable Escape When 500 Were Drowned in 1860, Dies in Milwaukee—Calls Husband Too Chilly.**

Edward Mellon, one of the remaining survivors of the Lady Elgin disaster, the most tragic occurrence ever known on the great lakes, nearly 300 persons being drowned, died Friday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John W. Griebel, in Milwaukee. He was 87 years of age. Mr. Mellon had a miraculous escape from death in the wreck. In 1860 he went with an excursion party to Chicago on the big sidewheel steamer Lady Elgin. On their return in the evening, when off Winnetka, Ill., the steamer was struck by the schooner Augusta and cut down below the water's edge. A panic followed the crash, every one trying to save himself or those dependent on him. The Lady Elgin filled rapidly and sank soon after the collision, scores being carried down to death. Those who were saved went through thrilling experiences as they were tossed about in the heavy sea on rafts and bits of wreckage. Mr. Mellon at the time of the collision was asleep near where the steamer was struck by the schooner. He went down with the boat. Being a good swimmer, he managed to work to the surface, and then struck for shore. A bit of wreckage came by, and this he seized. He clung to it for over twenty-four hours. Finally he was cast up on the shore near Winnetka almost dead from exposure. His name was given among those who were lost. He was so changed by his suffering that when he reached home the next day his children did not recognize him.

### CALLS HUSBAND TOO COLD.

**Army Man's Wife Says Spouse Isn't as Kind as First Husband.**

Brig. Gen. Charles F. Robe, retired, now living at San Diego, Cal., is defendant in a divorce suit in which Mrs. Mary R. Robe charges extreme cruelty because her husband was cold and un sympathetic, and exceeded her less consideration than did her former spouse, Charles Kendall. They were married in Chicago last year. In Grand Rapids, she alleges Robe bought theater tickets for them and her daughter, but omitted her sister, who was hurt by his inattention. Once when she fainted on the street, Robe, she says, offered her no assistance, allowing her sister to support her. In registering at a hotel, she declares, Robe omitted her name. Even when she had an ulcerated tooth no sympathy was offered.

### BROTHERS HEIR TO \$3,000,000.

**Fortune Made in Australian Gold Mines Left to Americans.**

Thomas McCarthy, a clerk in a New castle, Pa., hotel, and his brother, Michael McCarthy of Wampum, a suburb, have received word that an uncle, Timothy McCarthy, has died in Australia, leaving them the sole heirs to a fortune of \$2,000,000. The brothers said their uncle went to Australia twenty years ago and had made his fortune in gold mines. They are making preparations to go to Australia and claim the money.

### RUBBER COMPANIES COMBINE.

**New Canadian Consolidated Company Has Capital of \$5,000,000.**

The Canadian Consolidated Rubber Company is the result of the merger of the Canadian Rubber Company, the Grand-Rubber Company and the Maple Leaf Rubber Company of Port Dalhousie, Ont. The capital of the new company is \$5,000,000, with \$2,000,000 in 6 per cent forty-year bonds. S. H. C. Miner is president; G. N. Stephen vice-president, and D. Lorne McGehee second vice-president and managing director.

### Chimney Sweep in Opera.

A cable dispatch from Vienna says the latest acquisition of the Imperial Opera House is a former chimney sweep of the name of Eleison. He was singing while cleaning the chimney of a wealthy man's house at Stuttgart some time ago and his voice attracted the attention of the house owner, who paid to have the man's talents trained.

### Two Are Frozen to Death.

Vincent Spilner and wife and two children of Eastern Wells County, Ind., lost their way while driving home from a neighbor's and Mr. Spilner and one child were frozen to death. Mrs. Spilner is in a precarious condition as a result of exposure to the cold. The family were cut twenty-four hours before they were found by neighbors.

### Gonzales, Famed Bandit, Slain.

Catarino-Gonzales, the most notorious desperado in Mexico, at last has fallen a victim of a rural guard going by his own family name. Catarino-Gonzales, after a running fight, was slain by Pedro Gonzales, who picked off the outlaw with his rifle, but not until the fugitive had shot and killed four of the pursuers. He had killed seventeen men in recent years.

### Three Killed in Lamp Explosion.

Mrs. Emma Ernde and her two daughters, Grace, aged 14, and Gladys, aged 6, are dead as a result of a lamp explosion at their home in Hagerstown, Md.

### Cards Well Received.

Cheers and kisses greeted Enrico Caruso when he made his first appearance in "Odeon" since his conviction for annoying women in New York, but his reception is regarded as favorable to him.

### Bind Watchman and Blow Safe.

After binding and blindingfolding the watchman seven masked men entered the store of A. N. Farbman, a market gardener of Westville, Conn., blew open the safe, secured \$500 in money and made their escape without leaving a clew to their identity.

### Coal Famine Closes Factories.

Four factories, three newspaper plants, a foundry and various other concerns were closed down in Mayfield, Ky., because of lack of coal for power. Several hundred persons will be idle for several days.

### Trolley Wrecked by Locomotive.

A car on the Dayton and Xenia line, fitted with subwharves and people from Xenia, was struck by a Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis freight engine which was backing out of the Union station in Dayton, Ohio, about midnight and eighteen passengers were badly injured. None of them will die.

### ISLANDS IN GOOD CONDITION.

**Dr. Barrows Reports Philippines Well Governed—No Sugar Market.**

Dr. D. P. Barrows, director of education of the Philippines, was a passenger on the steamer Siberia, arriving at San Francisco from the Orient the other day. In speaking of the condition of the islands Dr. Barrows said: "The islands are in a good condition, generally speaking. The political situation there at the present time is the best it has ever been. The provincial government is in good hands. There are about forty native governors for as many different provinces. They are serious and intelligent men and at the recent conference held in Manila they showed themselves to understand the situation in the islands and to fully appreciate the attitude of the United States. While all these governors but one are natives, they all speak and understand English. From an economic standpoint, however, the islands are not in what I would call a good condition. This is caused by the fact that there is no market for their sugar and tobacco. These, of course, are their principal staples. They, however, have a good market for copra and abaca and from these they gain their main revenue."

### BLOW UP BANK AND FLEE.

**Robbers Wreck Institution at Mendon, Ohio with Nitroglycerine.**

A desperate but unsuccessful effort was made early Wednesday to blow open the safe and vault of the Mendon bank, Mendon, Ohio, in which more than \$75,000 was deposited. Three charges of nitroglycerine were exploded, and the interior of the bank was wrecked. The detonation aroused the citizens, and the three masked men fled, followed by posse.

An back door of the bank was forced in and a heavy charge of explosive was placed in one of the brick walls built around the safe. A hole big enough for a man to crawl through was made, and the men placed another charge of explosive in the floor of the vault and blew it off. A confederate then entered through the hole in the window. They were Moses Neble, Martin Tolsey, Fred Keller, James Singletor, Thomas Messell and Charles Smith. The delivery was not discovered until 7 o'clock.

### CHILD SLAVES IN NEBRASKA.

**State Official Says Children Are Sold at \$22 Per Head.**

Child slavery is being practiced in Nebraska, according to the statements of Miss Cora Garber, one of the employees in the State land commissioner's office. Proof has been obtained, she asserts, that one private institution in the State has been importing children from Germany for the purpose of selling them at \$22 per head. A bill is to be introduced at the next Legislature, says Miss Garber, which will place every child in the State under the protection of the juvenile court law. At present the law is so worded that the courts have no right to enter private institutions to inquire into the condition of children. This provision, Miss Garber says, was slipped into the law by the managers of these institutions in order to exempt them from legal investigation and for this reason the juvenile court law is unconstitutional. Miss Garber refused to give the name either of her informants or of the suspected institutions, but said that all would be made public in due time and that the work of the "venders in little human beings" would be summarily stopped and the guilty heavier to meet money value to the farmer than a year ago.

### BOY BANDIT ARMY DESPERADO.

**Released from Prison Just Before First Train Holdup.**

Claud Randal, the boy bandit who robbed the Alton-Burlington train at Glasgow, Mo., is said by the police to be Claude Rumsey, who was released from the United States prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., after serving a sentence of five years for desertion from the army. During Rumsey's incarceration punishment was frequently administered. He was considered a desperate man. Rumsey was released from Fort Leavenworth four days previous to the first train robbery at Glasgow, that of the Rock Island train on Nov. 7.

### BOY DROWNS SAVING FRIENDS.

**Wisconsin Skaters on Thin Mill-Pond Ice Break Through.**

Sylvester Bautsch, the 12-year-old son of A. J. Bautsch of Whitchurch, Wis., prominent in State politics, gave his life to save two boy companions from drowning. He was playing with his friends on mill-pond ice when they broke through and went into the water. Young Bautsch rushed to the shore and brought a large pole, with which he rescued them. As he was pulling the second boy out he fell into the water and was swept under the ice and drowned.

### Otto Young Is Dead.

Otto Young, one of Chicago's greatest merchants, died at his Lake Geneva home after an illness that kept him confined to his bed for six weeks. Several hours before his death he realized that the end was near and called the members of his family to his bedside one at a time, to bid them good-by. He left an estate variously estimated at from \$12,000,000 to \$20,000,000.

### Wreck Kills Wealthy Men.

Samuel Spenser, president of the Southern railway; Philip Schuyler, a retired capitalist of New York; two leading business men of Baltimore; and three other persons were killed in a collision of passenger trains at Lawyers, Va. Several of the bodies were partly burned in the ruins, and ghouls committed robbery.

### Denials of Murder of Servant.

A plea of not guilty was entered by Mrs. Emma Kaufmann, wife of the wealthy brewer, Moses Kaufmann, when she was arraigned before Judge Jones in the State Circuit Court in Sioux Falls, S. D., on a charge of murdering Miss Agnes Polk, a 16-year-old domestic who was in Mrs. Kaufmann's employ.

### See Scheme in Ukraine.

Two babies, one a boy 3 years old and the other a girl of 1 year and 7 months, perished in a blaze at 401 Milwaukee avenue, Chicago. The mother, Mrs. Eleanor Parafitski, was away at the time, and it is believed that the older child caused the tragedy by playing with matches which he found on the floor.

### Sight of Coffin Kills Man.

Overcome at the sight of the coffin in which was the body of his friend and neighbor, Louis Wetzel, who was shot while hunting, James McKenna, 70 years old, a veteran of the Civil War, dropped dead at his home in Pittsburgh as the undertaker's wagon bearing Wetzel's body passed in the street.

### Thieves of Public Lands.

The government's grip tightens on the men who are said to have stolen public lands worth millions. An inquiry opened in Salt Lake City by the interstate commerce commission involves high officials and the land department at Washington.

### Killed on Chicago Car Lines.

A record of 132 persons killed and 2,271 others injured by elevated and surface traction lines in Chicago since Jan. 1 gives impetus to the crusade against the overcrowding of cars inaugurated by the City Council.

### Finds Life Too Lonely.

Demented from constant brooding over the death of his wife, who occurred eight months ago, Henry P. Lentz, 77 years of age, cast himself from the Rocky river road bridge in Cleveland, eighty-five feet high, to death in the waters below.

### Three Boys Skaters Drawn.

Three children, all sons of Peter E. Hanson, living near Hutchinson, Minn., were drowned while skating on Lake Marion. The lads, Judson, aged 13; Walter, aged 11, and Victor, aged 9, were holding hands when they lost their lives.

### Fatalities of Hunting Season.

Sen. Benjamin H. Tillman of South Carolina, in an address in Chicago, predicted a rare war and told his audience the negro question is the most serious and dangerous issue of the day.

### TEN MEN BREAK JAIL.

### DESPERATE OUTLAWS SAW BARS IN PRISON.

**Four Make Escape First and six Others Follow When Allowed to Enter Corridor—16-Year-Old Girl Tried to Kill Herself.**

Ten of the most desperate prisoners in the county jail at Long Island City, N. Y., escaped from that institution Friday. The first four of the prisoners to get out sawed the bars of their cells and of the window opening into the corridor of the jail. Once in the yard they were free. The four leaders were August Schiram, charged with highway robbery; John Leonard and Thomas Bonnette, charged with burglary; and Alexander Templeton, charged with larceny. Absence of the men and the sawing of the bars of the doors and windows were unnoticed when the keepers opened the cell doors and allowed the other prisoners to enter the corridor at 6 o'clock in the morning. Six other prisoners immediately crawled through the hole in the window. They were Moses Neble, Martin Tolsey, Fred Keller, James Singletor, Thomas Messell and Charles Smith. The delivery was not discovered until 7 o'clock.

### CHILD SLAVES IN NEBRASKA.

**State Official Says Children Are Sold at \$22 Per Head.**

Child slavery is being practiced in Nebraska, according to the statements of Miss Cora Garber, one of the employees in the State land commissioner's office.

Proof has been obtained, she asserts,

that one private institution in the State has been importing children from Germany for the purpose of selling them at \$22 per head.

A bill is to be introduced at the next Legislature, says Miss Garber, which will place every child in the State under the protection of the juvenile court law.

At present the law is so worded that the courts have no right to enter private institutions to inquire into the condition of children.

This provision, Miss Garber says, was slipped into the law by the managers of these institutions in order to exempt them from legal investigation and for this reason the juvenile court law is unconstitutional.

It is noted that nearly all the children imported from Germany are boys.

Miss Garber refused to give the name either of her informants or of the suspected institutions, but said that all would be made public in due time and that the work of the "venders in little human beings" would be summarily stopped and the guilty heavier to meet money value to the farmer than a year ago.

Exploratory of the above figures, it might be said that the large barley, corn and wheat crops more than made up for smaller yield of oats, the net result began an aggregate yield of all cereals combined 3 per cent larger than in 1905, and larger even than the combined record yield of past years. A next to record yield of potatoes, a record sugar crop, a fair-sized apple crop, and a next to record cotton crop are among the features indicated. The yield of tobacco will, however, be light. Larger yields of most crops indicate a heavier total money value to the farmer than a year ago.

In industry, it is to be noted that nearly all lines of endeavor show larger outputs than a year ago. Shoe shipments show a gain of 2.6 per cent on last year; iron ore shipments and pig iron production break all records, gaining 8.5 per cent in each case over the like record year 1905. Building construction was never so active. Anthracite coal shipments, however, are a conspicuous exception, showing a decrease of 0.7 per cent from 1905.

Prices of all staples have shown great strength, and the general level of all values, as indicated by Bradstreet's approximate index number, is 6 per cent above a year ago and 53 per cent above the low water mark set in July, 1895.

Large crops, high prices and active industry naturally find reflection in large financial and trade totals. Foreign and domestic trade has reached unprecedented heights, as indicated by gains of 6.7 per cent in imports and of 13.4 per cent in exports, and in a total foreign trade 10.5 per cent ahead of 1905. Railway earnings and bank clearings show nearly similar gains over a year ago, 13.5 and 13.3 per cent respectively. Business failures are 6.8 per cent fewer while liabilities are only four-tenths of 1 per cent larger than in 1905. The volume of money in circulation is the largest ever recorded.

Large crops, high prices and active industry naturally find reflection in large financial and trade totals. Foreign and domestic trade has reached unprecedented heights, as indicated by gains of 6.7 per cent in imports and of 13.4 per cent in exports, and in a total foreign trade 10.5 per cent ahead of 1905. Railway earnings and bank clearings show nearly similar gains over a year ago, 13.5 and 13.3 per cent respectively. Business failures are 6.8 per cent fewer while liabilities are only four-tenths of 1 per cent larger than in 1905. The volume of money in circulation is the largest ever recorded.

Large crops, high prices and active industry naturally find reflection in large financial and trade totals. Foreign and domestic trade has reached unprecedented heights, as indicated by gains of 6.7 per cent in imports and of 13.4 per cent in exports, and in a total foreign trade 10.5 per cent ahead of 1905. Railway earnings and bank clearings show nearly similar gains over a year ago, 13.5 and 13.3 per cent respectively. Business failures are 6.8 per cent fewer while liabilities are only four-tenths of 1 per cent larger than in 1905. The volume of money in circulation is the largest ever recorded.

Large crops, high prices and active industry naturally find reflection in large financial and trade totals. Foreign and domestic trade has reached unprecedented heights, as indicated by gains of 6.7 per cent in imports and of 13.4 per cent in exports, and in a total foreign trade 10.5 per cent ahead of 1905. Railway earnings and bank clearings show nearly similar gains over a year ago, 13.5 and 13.3 per cent respectively. Business failures are 6.8 per cent fewer while liabilities are only four-tenths of 1 per cent larger than in 1905. The volume of money in circulation is the largest ever recorded.

Large crops, high prices and active industry naturally find reflection in large financial and trade totals. Foreign and domestic trade has reached unprecedented heights, as indicated by gains of 6.7 per cent in imports and of 13.4 per cent in exports, and in a total foreign trade 10.5 per cent ahead of 1905. Railway earnings and bank clearings show nearly similar gains over a year ago, 13.5 and 13.3 per cent respectively. Business failures are 6.8 per cent fewer while liabilities are only four-tenths of 1 per cent larger than in 1905. The volume of money in circulation is the largest ever recorded.

Large crops, high prices and active industry naturally find reflection in large financial and trade totals. Foreign and domestic trade has reached unprecedented heights, as indicated by gains of 6.7 per cent in imports and of 13.4 per cent in exports, and in a total foreign trade 10.5 per cent ahead of 190



## Crawford Avalanche.

G. PAUL RIVER, Editor and Proprietor.

RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION.

One Year ..... \$1.00  
Six Months ..... 50  
Three Months ..... 25

Entered as second-class matter at the Post Office at Grayling, Mich., under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1893.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 6.

## Additional Local News.

### "Boy Wanted."

"Wanted—A Boy." How often we This quite familiar notice see. Wanted—a boy for every kind Of task that a busy world can find. He is wanted—wanted now and here; There are towns to build; there are paths to clear;

There are seas to sail; there are gulfs to span, In the ever onward march of man.

Wanted—the world wants boys to-day And it offers them all it has for pay. "T will grant them wealth, position, fame,

A useful life, and an honored name. Boys who will guide the plow and pen; Boys who will shape the ways for men; Boys who will forward the tasks begun For the world's great work is never done.

The world is eager to employ Not just one, but every boy Who, with a purpose stanch and true, Will greet the work he finds to do. Honest, faithful, earnest, kind— To good, awake; to evil blind.— A heart of gold without alloy.— Wanted—the world wants such a boy. Selected.

In spite of the Tariff and the absence of reciprocity the United States manages to do a considerable business with its neighbors near and remote. Canada is increasing its purchases in "the States" every year, and more distant countries find here a great deal they wish to buy. The year ending with August our exports were nearly two billions and, imports included, the trade exceeded three billions. Foreign commerce has increased 50 per cent since 1899, and that is doing quite well for a country supposed to be enclosed by a Tariff Chinese wall.

The grand jury at San Francisco is to have a job lot of corruption and frauds on its hands. Not only is the \$1,000,000 steal of funds donated to fire sufferers to be investigated, but the grand jury will take up the charges that the mayor and a number of supervisors and other officials are implicated in the sale of franchises to public corporations and in which those selling pocketed hundreds of thousands of dollars. It is expected that a gang of fifty persons will be indicted. It is hoped the investigation will probe the allegations to the bottom.—Bay City Tribune.

Dr. Lyman Abbott created a stir at the Lake Mohonk peace gathering by declaring that one of the greatest achievements of any Christian nation was when the United States, in the Philippines, put "its army, its financial credit, its great statesmen and its great educators at the service of a poor, oppressed, ignorant, and hitherto despised people, who had neither wealth nor influence with which to repay, and many of whom had not, at first, the intelligence even to comprehend." The "antis" were exasperated by this statement, but unable to refute it.

The local paper should be found in every home. No children will grow up ignorant who are taught to appreciate the home paper. It may be called the stepping stone of intelligence in general information of all those matters not to be found in books. If you give your children only city papers which contain little or nothing about the persons they know, or the places they have seen, how can you expect them to be interested? Let them have the home paper and read of people whom they meet and of places with which they are familiar and soon an interest is awakened and increases with each arrival of the well edited paper of their home town. Thus a habit of reading is early formed and with it comes information that gives a desire for study and research. There is no greater educator than the good old home paper that comes regularly with its columns well filled with home news.

The effort now being made to attract wide spread attention and sympathy to the subject of forestry in Michigan would be attended with greater success if more intelligence and attention to truth could be made use of by some of the publicity-seeking friends of that movement. An address made a few weeks ago before the board of commerce of Detroit, and which has been published in behalf of the forestry movement, contains several absolutely untrue statements touching the integrity of state officers and as to existing state conditions, which very little investigation would have fully corrected. The declaration recently made through the Detroit Free Press, that the "upper half of the lower peninsula is a national forest reserve rather than an agricultural country," has created more or less opposition to the entire forestry subject on the part of the fifteen or twenty thriving cities in that territory and of the thousands of prosperous farmers of that section, who know it to be an unfortunate exaggeration. More discretion and less declaration would be very helpful to Michigan forestry interest and purposes.

## Additional Local Matter

With the President's views that given rates or schedules should be modified whenever they are clearly disadvantageous to the country, the most solid stand-patter agrees. There is no argument on that question possible. But Tariff revision merely for the sake of revision; or to increase the importations of foreign merchandise to replace American goods in the home market; or merely to injure the trusts, finds no support from Mr. Roosevelt, Seattle "Post Intelligencer."

The railroad commission has issued a revised edition of the handsome railway map of Michigan, showing routes and statistics of new lines that have been constructed since the former edition of three years ago. The increase in that time has been seven hundred eighty miles of railway, or nine and one third per cent; and in electric roads an increase of two hundred twenty-four miles, or thirty-seven and a half per cent. The total steam mileage is now nine thousand one hundred forty-six, and of electrics eight hundred nineteen, a total of ten thousand miles, lacking only thirty-five. Only six states exceed us in railway mileage, the eight leading states, in order of precedence being, Illinois, Texas, Pennsylvania, Iowa, Ohio, Kansas, Michigan, New York.

Bountiful crops alone do not establish ideal conditions in the household of the nation. It does not require a gray beard to recall the time when corn was so plentiful in Kansas and such a drug on the market that it was used as fuel. At the same time poverty stalked in the big cities of the country and smokeless chimneys sent dismay into the hearts of those who were willing to work for almost any wage. There have been some splendid harvests of wheat in the United States which have netted the growers hardly a cent of profit. A large crop for which there has been but a small market has caused many a farmer to plaster another mortgage on his farm. The Tariff, by stimulating American industries, has provided a market for the products of the soil at a price that pays.—Baltimore "American."

The prosecution instituted by the Attorney-General of the United States against the officers of the Standard Oil Company, under the Anti-Trust law, has not yet come to a conclusion. The Tariff, by stimulating American industries, has provided a market for the products of the soil at a price that pays.—Baltimore "American."

The prosecution instituted by the Attorney-General of the United States against the officers of the Standard Oil Company, under the Anti-Trust law, is to be the intended to supplement with criminal prosecution the procedure under the Anti-Trust law. A rigid adherence to this line of action is what the country wants. What the country does not want is that the government should attempt to solve the trust problem by ripping up the Tariff. That is not the true solution. Trusts would flourish with or without a Protective Tariff. No Tariff protects the business of the Standard Oil Company. The same is true of many other trusts.

Misses Smith and Boddy observed Thanksgiving day by enjoying their first hunt. They started out about ten o'clock with a gun and plenty of ammunition and didn't return until three, with their pockets full of red squirrels and cartridges which they were unable to get rid off. They're going again.

Bright Eyed Susan.

### Johannesburg Jottings.

Snow! Snow!! Snow!!!

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Radke last Saturday. No wonder the band plays better.

The Misses Ethel and Mayme Colbeck gave a party at their home last Friday evening. Games were played and light refreshments were served and all report an enjoyable time. Ask Harry how he made that "long run" in playing fives.

Rev. Irrie and family ate turkey at the home of S. S. Claggett.

Mr. and Mrs. Michelson and Master Louis, spent Thanksgiving at the home of N. Michelson at Grayling.

Fred Rasmussen came home for Thanksgiving.

A platform has been made in the church for the choir.

Reports say that we will in the near future hear "Bright Eyed Susan's" wedding bells. We hope we are not mistaken.

There was a dance at the town hall last Thursday evening.

Dan Moshier has returned from Clio, Mich. and a certain girl looks pleased.

How nice it is to stand at the gate with your "bet'er half" but "there are other evenings in the week."

"Old Mother Hubbard."

### The Second Sunday in Advent.

The subject of the Advent sermon at the Methodist church next Sunday morning will be "Because there was no room for them in the inn."

The second lecture in Advent will be given in the evening, subject—"The Coming of the Kingdom."

The lectures will deal with the question of Modern Socialism, showing how the highest conditions of Socialism are attained under the Benevolent Reign of Jesus Christ.

You are all invited to these services.

### Pat's Prize Effort.

An American visiting Dublin told some startling stories about the height of some of New York buildings. An Irishman who was listening stood it as long as he could, and then queried: "Ye haven't seen our newest hotel have ye?"

The American thought not. "Well," said the Irishman, "it's so tall that we had to put the two top stories together."

"I don't," asked the American. "We could let 'em down the back way."

"Now come for Epilepsy."

"It's a beauty from the attractive colored cover to the last page—no magazine is more generously illustrated—none has better short stories.

The Pilgrim is an all-around monthly magazine—made for the whole family—father, mother, sister, brother and the little folks. There are household departments, fashions, the quiet hour, wit and humor, woman's club corner, success page, etc., etc.—and it is clean from cover to cover.

Send 25 cents to its subscribers—advertisers that pay in advance and new issues.

The price of The Pilgrim is \$1.00.

The price of The Avalanche is \$1.00.

Total \$2.00.

We will furnish both for \$1.50 per year.

New Copy for Epilepsy.

J. B. Waterman, of Watertown, O., Rural free delivery, writes: "My daughter, afflicted for years with epilepsy, was cured by Dr. King's New Life Pill. She has had an attack for over two years." Best body cleaners and life giving tonic pills on earth. See at ... a corner drug store.

Sample Copies free.

Job Printing

Promptly and neatly done,

At this office.

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

—

# Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 6

## Local and Neighborhood News.

### Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year. In advance. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondences, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

25 lb. pails of International Stock Food \$3.00 at Fournier's Drug Store.

New goods arriving every week. Call again. C. J. HATHAWAY.

A good horse for sale. Worth the money. Enquire at this office.

We do not need the money ourselves but the fellow we owe wants us to pay. Pay your subscription and help the other fellow out.

Fine watch repairing done at Hathaway's.

Cold Breakers will cure your cold try it. For sale at Fournier's Drug Store.

Rolla W. Brink, Register of Deeds, made a business visit at Gaylord one day last week.

Read about it, think about it, talk about it, you can try it. See Sorenson's ad.

Now is the time to look after Xmas presents. Hathaway has them.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Trumley of Grayling spent Thanksgiving with their daughter, Mrs. Wm. Dickie, a Lewiston.

Go to C. J. Hathaway for scientific optical work. Eyes examined free.

Rings of all descriptions sizes and shapes at Andrew Peterson's jewelry store.

Fine Sterling Souvenir spoons can be had at A. Peterson's Jewelry Store.

WANTED—Good pullets. Will pay good price for same. LARS BROLIN, Grayling.

Look up our subscription offers, and arrange for your next years reading at once.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the AVAVALANCHE office.

A more beautiful day than last Thursday could not have been desired. Our local world could all give thanks for that, if nothing more.

Of course you can expect the thermometer to go below zero in winter. But this is something unusual 25 cents perfume for 10 cents at Sorenson's.

Get your jewelry work and watch repairing done at A. Peterson's jewelry store.

The Bride's choice now a days is a handsome piece of cut glass. get it at Andrew Peterson's Jewelry Store.

FOUND—A silver watch. Owner can have same by proving property and pay charges. NETTIE MILLIKIN, Railroad St.

Mrs. M. A. Bates visited at Saginaw and Alma last week and Katie came home with her to eat turkey with the postmaster.

Marvin Post G. A. R., regular meeting next Saturday evening. Election of officers. Conrades, turn out and attend to business.

A. L. POND, Adj't.

To our advance paid subscribers we will send the New York Tribune Farmer for 50 cents. Regular price \$1.00 and worth five to any progressive farmer.

M. Dupree was brought in from his cedar camp, on the Merz Branch, suffering from a severe attack of chills and fever.

By all means, get the best for the money. You'll find it at Andrew Peterson's Jewelry Store.

Stop just a moment! I want to call your attention to my latest assortment of Souvenir spoons. Call in and see them.

ANDREW PETERSON.

The tax roll is in the hands of Town Treasurer, Mr. Hanson. Call and see how rich you are, and pay cheerfully for having so much.

Xmas presents of all kinds. Before you buy call and see them. We also carry a fine line of china ware, school supplies, tobacco and cigars.

MRS. M. FLAGG & CO.

FOR SALE—One span heavy mares with harness, sound and kind. Weight 3200 lbs. Direct all inquiries to ERNEST P. RICHARDSON,

Roscommon, Mich.

The Ladies of the Maccabees will meet Friday, Dec. 7th, for the election of officers and other important business. Every member is requested to be present at 7:30 sharp.

WANTED—Two energetic men to handle our Stereoscopic Beta of the Coronation of King of Norway. Address, KEYSTONE VIEW CO., Meadville, Pa. decd 3rd.

Methodist Protestant Church, Grayling, Mich. (south side), Pastor R. H. Cunningham. Services as follows: Preaching 10 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Sabbath School, 12 m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend the above services.

FOR SALE—A first class eight room residence, in good location and good garage, with perfect title. E. O. PALMER.

About three inches of snow on the ground Monday morning. The hunters are mad that it did not come two weeks sooner.

The Epworth League will give an oyster supper at the W. K. C. Hall, Wednesday evening, Dec. 5. Save up your appetites and come.

Miss Esther Kraus who has been with her sister Francis in her new home at Saginaw for the past six weeks, returned last Saturday on the Flyer.

The Dowell Factory which had been out of logs nearly a month for want of cars, received a small lot Saturday evening, and started up in full Monday afternoon.

Otto McLutyre with his uncle, Martin Johnson of Leslie, were among our lucky hunters. They got their deer and had a good rest and a world of sport besides.

The habit of treating who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is rumored that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The Presbyterian Sunday School will give a Cake Sale, at Miss Williams' Millinery store, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 8th. Put aside your baking and have something nice for next Sunday.

It is reported that the G. R. & I. R. Co., propose to extend their Missaukee branch to Higgins Lake. If so it will probably come to Grayling, as we have long desired.

A letter from Fred Hoessl Jr., from Albuquerque, New Mexico, says they are having zero weather, and he nearly freezes, but as he is improving in health, will stay a while longer.

FOR SALE—A seven room residence, in good repair, one block from school, small barn, title perfect. Also, a five room residence with barn, title perfect.

STEWART SICKLER.

Harry Johnson and wife and babies and Joe Malanfant and wife and baby were all home at grandpa Robinson's for Thanksgiving. The girls staid for a visit this week and let the boys go back to their work.

The pig probably was fed on corn. The length of this little pig was 7 feet 2 inches and it was 5 feet 6 inches around, weighing 547 lbs., being 17 months, 3 days old. This little pig was without doubt a farmer. He was raised and owned by H. E. Moon of Beaver Creek. The little fellow will make two good barrels of nice pork. And without doubt supply Moon and his family for the winter. This pig was raised and fed by the farm. Poor land.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church will serve meals each evening following the fair, in the G. A. R. hall, Dec. 12 will serve chicken pie supper 25c. Thursday, Dec. 13 will be a 15c supper. Everybody come.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church will hold their regular annual fair in the G. A. R. Hall Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 12 and 13. Many useful articles suitable for Christmas gifts will be sold.

All members of the Womans Relief Corps are requested to be present at the regular meeting on Saturday Dec. 8th, as the election of officers will take place. Meeting will begin at 2 o'clock. By order of President.

The Ladies' Union of the Presbyterian church will hold a business meeting at the home of the President, Mrs. R. M. Roblin, Friday, Dec. 7th, at 2 P. M. All the ladies of the congregation are cordially invited to attend.

Miss Wilda Failling was the hostess of a number of girls and boys last Saturday, it being her birthday. Mrs. Failling made it interesting for the children. They played games and had a good time. Come again girls.

Any one wishing to have feed grinding done on their own premises will please address Augustus Funk, Pere Cheney, Mich., for terms and particulars nov 15-3w.

Holiday Excursion to Canada.

On first class limited plus \$1.00 for round trip. Date of sale, Dec. 19-20-21 & 22. Return Limit Leaving Destination not later than January 12 1907. Call on ticket agent, Grayling, for particulars.

Presbyterian Church.

Sabbath, Dec. 9th. 10:30 a. m. Preaching.

Sunday School scholars are invited to attend the morning preaching service. The pastor will preach a five minute sermon every Sunday morning for their special benefit.

11:30 a. m. Sabbath School, 6 p. m., C. E. Meeting.

7 p. m. Preaching.

7 p. m. Wednesday evening, midweek prayer meeting.

You are very cordially invited to be present at all these services.

A Miraculous Cure.

Mr. C. J. Hathaway, Grayling's well known Jeweler and Optician, quietly slipped away one day last week, and returned Wednesday morning with his bride. Mrs. Hathaway was formerly Miss Mable Ivory of Lake Orion and was one of Orions promising school mamas. She is a niece of Mrs. Baudmaster Clark. What is Orions loss is Grayling's gain. We all join in good wishes and congratulations and etc.

Albert Porter, of Tittabawasee township, Saginaw county, who lives two and one half miles southeast of Freeland, recently sank a drive well on a sandy location on his farm. The water which he secured was black and unfit for use. Mr. Porter took a sample of the substance which floated on the surface to Chemist Heine of Saginaw, who pronounced it to be crude oil, and later confirmed his judgment by analysis. Considerable excitement exists in the neighborhood over the discovery, and Mr. Porter has received several staggering offers for his property. Grayling capitalists are considering the formation of a stock company to explore the newly found oil field.

Detroit Live Stock Market.

Prime steers and heifers, \$4.50-5.00. Handy butchers cattle, \$4.00-4.40. Common, \$2.50-3.50. Cannery cows, \$1.25-2.25. Stockers and feeders, \$2.50-4.00. Milch cows, \$2.50-4.00. Calves, \$4.00-7.50. Prime lambs, 17.00-7.75. Mixed lambs, \$4.00-5.50. Cullies, \$2.50-3.50. Prime medium hogs, \$6.15-6.20. Yorkers, \$6.15-6.20. Pigs, \$6.20-6.25. Kungas, 5.00-5.50. Steaks, \$1 per cwt. 5.75. Cripples, \$1 per cwt. 5.75.

B. J. Wakeley, a brother of Theo. Wakeley, and a former resident here, died at his home in Pa. last week. No particulars have yet been received, and his brother did not know of his illness. "Barney" as we all called him here, was a born gentleman, and highly respected by all who knew him here, twenty years ago. He has been successful in his eastern home, as he deserved to be for his honest worth.

The habit of treating who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy is one that clouds the sunshine of too many homes. If you are young and looking for your prince, just test his conduct. Do not be guided in your choice by what a young man is in the parlor; find out what he is in his mother's sitting room. Do not judge him by the way he tips his hat, but by the way he treats the old, especially his parents.

It is reported that the Saginaw Beef Company are negotiating for the herd of Texan steers on the Barnes ranch on the AuSable. They are in excellent condition and will make prime beef.

The habit of treating those who are nearest and dearest to us with discourtesy

# S BY THE P

## ATTITUDE OF THE FARMERS.

While not complaining and while freely and gaily acknowledging their great prosperity, due in large measure to the development of manufacture, transportation and trade, farmers nevertheless believe that the margin between the price paid to them and the price paid by the consumers of their products is altogether too great and that this margin has contributed much to aggregations of wealth that are dangerous; hence farmers would not try to increase by large their profits by compelling the consumers of farm products to pay more, but rather by lessening the opportunity of an increase by unfair means of the wealth of those already too rich.

Farmers recognize that the value of their lands and the profit of their business are largely due to the markets created by manufacturer and the transportation provided by railways. But the farmer distinguishes between the manufacture, transportation and sale of articles and the work of corporations and individuals that put their attorneys and willing servants into State Legislatures and the National Congress, in executive offices and even on the bench, not for the public good, but to secure advantages that are unfair in themselves and in their results dangerous to the masses. Speaking largely, the remedy we would propose for economic injustice would not be of the nature of special laws or efforts in the way of arbitrary hindrances to honest trade or arbitrary seizure of the holding of any class and a distribution to any injured class, but rather we would depend on the awakening of such a national conscience and spirit as will compel just laws and secure to every class its full rights in open competition with all.

## MEH AND WOMEN BOOMERANG TARGETS.

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

How idly we use the phrase, "Cast thy bread upon the waters; for thou shalt find it after many days." But no true words ever were inspired by the divine sources of all truth. Whether your bread is sweet or sour, wholesome or poisonous, it shall return to you "after many days." Thought is a boomerang. It sometimes is long in proving itself to be of this reacting nature; but the greater the delay the stronger will be its force when the backward swing begins.

Unless we find something every day to be happy over, we never shall be able to enjoy fully any blessing which may come to us. Continued discontent shapes the mind for unhappiness, and no amount of good luck can twist it back into harmonious proportions. The man who never has learned the lesson of contentment and happiness in some degree in his hard days never will find it in his easy ones. When he undertakes to enjoy travel, society or home, he will find the only demon of unrest is with him—his relentless boomerang.

There is the disloyal thought, which many people, both men and women, suffer from. They blame fate instead of their own minds for their bruises. The disloyal friend or the faithless lover, sets currents in action which inevitably must bring disaster in time. I do not mean the

friend who outgrows the other, the lover who finds it impossible to continue loving. Those sad experiences sometimes occur with the most loyal! But I refer to those who repay trust with trickery, confidence with deceit, yet who cry out against cruel destiny when they are forced to suffer from the same qualities in others.

## WOMEN'S EXTRAVAGANCE OFTEN MEN'S FAULT.

By Helen Oldfield.

Nothing can be more foolish than for a young couple to start married life with a grand plunge, spending the few hundreds or so in the bank in unnecessary extravagances which will do them no practical service when the money is gone. Even where there is a solid reserve fund available it is ill advised to draw upon it heavily, or even to abstain from adding to it, if possible, at the outset of matrimony. When once the initial expenses of the wedding and house furnishing are over, the cost of living ought to be, and usually is, less for a time than it will be thereafter. Everything is new, and with ordinary care there should be no outlay in replacing or repairing for some time to come.

Whatever a man's income, be it large or small, his wife has a moral right to a certain portion of it, upon which she can depend, and this should be given to her regularly, without her being compelled to ask for it. It is a humiliating position for any one to be left without a dollar to pay an expressman; nor, worse, not to have the small amount due on a letter delivered at the door! The average man dislikes exceedingly to be continually asked for small amounts of money, but he rarely appreciates how galling it is to his wife's pride, her self-respect, to be obliged to make such requests. Let every man be honest enough, and loving enough, to give his wife a fair idea of his financial position, and trust her to conduct herself accordingly, nor leave her in ignorance when serious trouble is threatening to engulf her as well as him.

## SNOBISHNESS AND "THE ELECT."

By Juliet V. Strauss.

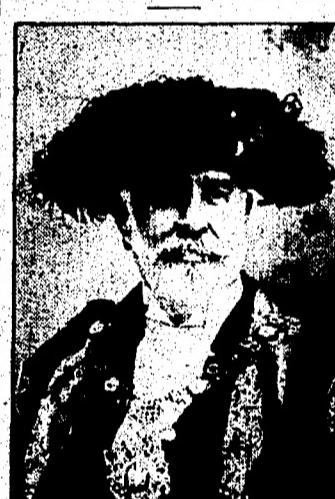
There is no snob so unutterable, so disgusting and intolerable as the intellectual snob. If he were really bright he would know things and among them he would know what real "smartness" is and that people who have it never go blathering around about "the elect." They just let it and say nothing about it.

The idea of calling those who have succeeded in getting rid of their obligations to their neighbors, and formed a little clique of their own—the elect! I get disgusted with these smart people who can find only a few appreciative friends, who call the people around them "these people" and assume an air of bored superiority.

I remember of hearing a little girl say once to a comrade in the "elect" business: "It is just we, us and company." Both of them tittered at this and looked (as only females can look) at another little girl who wasn't "in" we, us and company.

riding, driving or hauling a wagon. Well, if they can't race now be used in any other way what possible value could they have? Cut off racing and see what your big-priced racing horse will bring.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

## LONDON'S NEW LORD MAYOR.



SIR WILLIAM TRELLOAR.

Sir William P. Treloar, whose inauguration as Lord Mayor of London was marked by a pageant symbolic of the seven centuries of the city's growth, is much interested in charity work. It is expected that his administration will start some excellent movements to relieve the condition of the poor. King Edward sent his customary donation to the "little cripples" Christmas fund, which Sir William founded and expressed his pleasure at its flourishing condition.

## CLEANING THE FUNNEL OF A FAST CRUISER.



The picture shows an operation which goes on quite frequently on board ship, especially in the navy, where it is considered the proper thing to keep the men employed as much as possible. As soon as the exposed surfaces of a vessel are covered properly with paint it is scraped off and the process is repeated. Thus it is that Uncle Sam's bill for white lead and linseed oil amounts to a very large sum every year.

From the viewpoint of a sensible person imitation is the most disgusting form of flattery.

Two-thirds of the so-called society

men and race horse owners to guessing a few nights ago. They were discussing the thoroughbred and incidentally politics and betting. Mr. Coyle advanced some original views as to what gives the thoroughbred race horse its value. He set them all guessing by the statement that if betting on racetracks was suddenly prohibited the race horse would have no value whatever.

"You believe that betting has not all to do with values of the race horse," he said. "Why, if the right to bet on a race was cut off—that is, if there was no betting allowed—there are horses in all parts of the country, worth from \$20,000 upward, that would not be worth 30 cents. You needn't look so surprised," he continued. "What do the people go to racetracks for? Is it to see the races? They can't see anything but a finish in most of them. What crowds the race course at big events? Do you believe it is all love for the horses? More than half of those in attendance do not even see the horses. They are there to lay down a bet."

"Now, if they cannot bet will they attend the races? And if they do not attend what will become of the race tracks? If there is no racing what will be the value of your high-priced racing horses? He cannot be used for \$200" are cipher.

## RICHES FOR FARMER.

### YEAR JUST CLOSING SHOWS BIG GAIN OVER 1905.

**Agricultural Products of the Country Valued at \$6,704,000,000—Nearly Every Farmer in the Middle West Now a Bank Depositor.**

Prosperity reached out with a bounteous hand into the agricultural regions of the country during the last year and made 1906, from the standpoint of the value of farm products, a record-breaker in the annals of the nation's wealth-producing achievements. This announcement is made in the annual report of Secretary Wilson. Nature gave in such lavish manner that 1905, the country's banner year in the march of prosperity, is left in the rear and 1906 is given the place of honor with an estimated margin of \$485,000,000 over the value of farm products produced a year ago.

"Taken at that point in production," says Secretary Wilson, "at which they acquire commercial value, the farm products of the year, estimated for every detail presented by the census, have a farm value of \$6,704,000,000. This is \$485,000,000 above the value of 1905, \$325,000,000 above 1904, \$577,000,000 above 1903 and \$2,077,000,000 above the census for 1890. The value of farm products of 1906 was 8 per cent greater than that of 1905, 10 per cent over 1904, 15 per cent over 1903 and 44 per cent over 1890."

#### Value of Crops Rush Up.

The economic revolution in the art and science of agriculture continued during 1906 with tremendous results on the national prosperity. The value of crops continues to rush forward beyond comprehension; crops are straining the freight carrying ability of the railroads. Corn remains by far the most valuable crop, estimated at \$1,100,000,000. Next comes the cotton crop, which, including the seed, should be worth to the growers nearly \$100,000,000. The value of hay, which is third in order, approaches \$600,000,000. Wheat, the fourth crop, may be worth \$150,000,000; oats, \$300,000,000; potatoes, \$150,000,000. Barley, with a value of \$65,000,000, shows a gain of 21 per cent in production in the last seven years. The tobacco crop will be worth about \$55,000,000. A remarkable development is that of the sugar beet, now the ninth crop in value. The production in 1906 is placed at 345,000 long tons, valued at \$34,000,000. Seven years ago the value of this crop was \$7,000,000. The value of all kinds of sugar, syrup, and molasses aggregates \$75,000,000.

#### Farm Exports Break Records.

The farm still overshadows the mill, the factory, and the workshop in providing exports, and with his surplus beyond the nation's need, the farmer has led the fleets of oceans. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1906, this surplus has been exported to the value of \$976,000,000, the largest amount ever reached by agricultural exports for this or any other country and exceeding the export value of 1901, previously the record year. Among chief exports cotton maintains a long lead, with a value of \$400,000,000. The packing house products exported amounted to a value of \$207,000,000.

If real estate, domestic animals, other live stock, implements, and machinery are included, the farmer's capital has increased since the census valuation by probably \$8,000,000,000, the present valuation being probably \$28,000,000,000.

The report contains some interesting figures on meat production, the result of a recent large and searching investigation by the department. In the last census year, 1900, 93,502,000 meat animals were slaughtered and exported. Meat contributes one-third or more of the total assimilated nutrients of the national dietary, and at average exceeded \$2,000,000,000.

The laws made by Congress at its last session to be executed by the department, Secretary Wilson says, have required and received special attention. The meat law is being enforced, and inspection is now made in over 1,000 houses. Not less than 1,300 experts have been added to the inspection force. Rules have been prepared for the execution of the pure food law. A beginning has been made in the method of determining the grading of grain, and the law providing for the humane treatment of live stock in transit is receiving careful attention.

#### Airship the Poor Man's Auto.

Saint-Dumont, speaking of the recent flight in his aeroplane, the Bird of Prey, which has a surface of over 80 square yards, says that the practical aeroplane will be much smaller and that it will be for the air what the bicycle is for the earth. With the aeroplane, the speed will be increased in direct proportion to the diminution of the resisting surface. At the same time, he says, increased speed adds to the safety, as a more powerful motor is more easily manipulated. He predicts confidently that next year people will be able to go to the seashore in their aeroplane, that it will be the beginning of a new and a new industry. As for the danger, the only risk, he thinks, will be that of a broken rudder, as the machine is immobile itself.

His intention is to attach the guiding rope to his neck and maintain equilibrium by the instinctive movement of the head, but later this primitive arrangement will be replaced by an automatic mercurial apparatus. He believes that the flying machine will become "the poor man's automobile—safer, faster and cheaper."

"They cost forty-eight dollars a dozen," said Whitney.

"And did President Cleveland eat any of them? He is so fond of fruit."

"Old he eat any of them?" exploded Whitney. "I thought he rather crowded the mourners. He ate five!"—Saturday Evening Post.

## TURTLES TURNED ON REFEREE.

**They Resented Man's Interfering in a Personal Quarrel.**

Milton J. Vreeland, a farmer living near Pine Brook, N. J., was nearly drowned in the Passaic River the other day as the result of his acting in a fight between two snapping turtles, says the New York World. Vreeland, who was in a canoe, watched the bout for a minute or two and then decided that it was time for the combatants to break away.

He paddled up to them, reached over the side, caught them by the tails, one in each hand, and swung them into the canoe—one in the bow, the other in the stern of the frail craft. But the turtles did not accept this decision. They wanted to fight on and being unable to get at each other they attacked the self-appointed referee.

The farmer had found it an easy matter to catch hold of the turtles' tails when they were in the water, but it was impossible now with the canoe to keep on an even keel. He caught up the paddle and with this managed to beat off his assailants for a while, but at last the canoe capsized. As it did so one of the turtles dealt the farmer a blow in the back just below the belt. It clung to the place in the trousers where it had snapped and Vreeland found he could not swim.

He says himself he would have gone to the bottom but for Frank Jacobs, who turned a man in the river in a canoe and towed man and turtles ashore.

#### Mr. Cleveland Scored Five.

The late William C. Whitney wanted to do something out of the ordinary when he gave his first cabinet dinner as a member of President Cleveland's cabinet. He scoured the markets of Washington for delicacies. For fruit, he decided he would have peaches.

It was the middle of February, and there were no peaches in Washington. He found a man in New York who said he could get some, and Whitney ordered a basket.

The dinner was a great success. In discussing it next day Judge Lamar said: "Those peaches were fine, Mr. Whitney. Where did you get them?"

"In New York," Mr. Whitney said. "A man there found them for me."

"Peaches in February are certainly a great treat," continued Lamar. "If it is a fair question, how much did they cost?"

"They cost forty-eight dollars a dozen," said Whitney.

"And did President Cleveland eat any of them? He is so fond of fruit."

"Old he eat any of them?" exploded Whitney. "I thought he rather crowded the mourners. He ate five!"—Saturday Evening Post.

#### Scoring on the Preacher.

The Minister—There is nothing can equal the dullness of that razor you are using.

The Barber—Well, I guess you would see your mistake if you should try to shave yourself with one of your sermons.—Philadelphia Record.

#### Great Froze of Business.

Father—Do you know, sir, that I actually saw you embrace my daughter?

Son—I beg your pardon, sir. The truth is, I was so frightfully busy at the time that I failed to notice you. I sincerely hope you will forgive me.

Le Sourire.

There is something wrong with a small boy who keeps his face clean.

## THE WASTE OF APPLES.

**Good Fruit Lost to the Market Through Bad Shipping System.**

Though one would not know it from market conditions, a Chicago correspondent says, it is a fact that the apple crop of the United States this year is 12,025,000 barrels greater than last year—or 80,120,000 barrels, all told. Where two apples were available to delight the apple lover last year there are three now. Rather, there should be three, but so great has been the waste of apples which could not find market that the consumer will not be able to benefit in anything like the proportion he should.

Early in the season, when the fall apples began to ripen, the woe of the man with the big orchard was pitiable. He would see his trees breaking down under the weight of fruit, and know that even if he hauled the apples miles to a market town he could not get better than 20 cents a bushel for them, with a possibility that the local dealers would refuse to take them at any price. The hops were the main beneficiaries of the crop.

When the winter apples ripened the situation was no better. An observer at a small town in central Illinois, from which the apple product of about a third of a county was shipped, has reported that there was a waste of 40,000 barrels in that territory alone, or about a quarter of the crop.

Consumers in the cities have benefited from the waste by being able to get the poorer grades of apples at very low prices, but strange to say, the better grades have sold at retail for almost as high prices as they have brought in recent years of short crops. The quality of the apples is a little better, and the price a little lower, but the improvement in both factors combined does not begin to equal what would be expected from the huge production.

The causes of the waste have been the high freight rates and a car service which is not adequate for the emergency. Without the cold storage warehouses and the development of fruit transportation lines, the situation would be worse than it is, and the country would have even less benefits from the bounty of nature. The problem of organization to enable the country to get the best use of its resources is an enormous one and will remain such so long as the population continues to grow. It is one in which every citizen has an interest. To make two apples grow where one grew before is hardly more important than to make the two apples when once they are grown, reach the mouths which want them.

## WATERWAY IMPROVEMENTS.

**Congress to Be Asked to Appropriately \$50,000,000 a Year.**

In a few years the United States will have the finest waterway system in the world if Congress should vote its approval of the movement which looks for an annual appropriation of \$50,000,000 for waterway improvement.

The United States has within its boundaries, exclusive of seaboard, more than 43,000 miles of waters which, with proper attention, should be navigable. On these she has spent up to date \$470,000,000. On the other hand, the tiny kingdom of Holland, with only 2,000 miles of navigable waterways, has already spent on them more than \$1,500,000,000. France, with 4,000 miles, has spent \$1,120,000,000, while Belgium, with less than 1,300 miles, has since 1875 spent in excess of \$80,000,000. These large expenditures abroad have made rates there very low, whereby shippers in general have benefited.

The average appropriation in this country for each of the last ten years for all the rivers and harbors has been about \$10,000,000. Germany, it is pointed out, has spent about four times this sum on the harbor of Hamburg alone. On the harbor at Liverpool, England, \$200,000,000 has been spent. In fact, many a harbor in foreign lands has been improved and made more useful to both producer and shipper at a cost exceeding the whole annual appropriation of the United States.



# Buy the Harrison Wagon.

The Best on Wheels.  
For Sale and fully warranted by O. Palmer.

## A DESPERATE GAME

By JULIAN RALPH

(Copyright, by Joseph H. Bowles.)

Barney Moriarty had done well for himself. Starting with nothing but health and ambition, he got a city lot on the strength of money he did not have, and then got the money on the strength of owning the lot. After this he built a monument to his own success in the form of an apartment house in which he set up his own home, and on the granite front of which he blazoned his triumph in carved letters reading, "Moriarty Moriarty."

By mere chance, no one except Florence, the elevator boy, was at hand when Miss Cordelia Byrne called to inspect the fifth floor back, which was advertised for rent. She took it and her furniture came the next morning, when Mr. Moriarty was again absent.

Miss Byrne was about 20 years of age, slender, of middle stature and dressed habitually in black or dark blue. How anyone who looked at her melting blue eyes, her sensitive pouting mouth, and her pale complexion, enriched by her auburn hair, could have found reason to doubt her goodness, few men would be able to say.

Among her belongings was an upright piano, and she and it combined altered the temper of the people in the Moriarty-Maisonette with a suddenness, and to a degree, which was astonishing. This was because she and it either knew but one tune, or, at any rate, played but one. This was a dainty, rippling trifle by Paderewski. On the first afternoon and evening Miss Byrne played the Paderewski peasant dance over some dozen times. Now when the exquisite, rollicking merry, melodic current flowed through the wall to the fifth floor front, through the floor to the fourth story suites and through the ceiling to the sixth story's tiny homes, the "star" tenant sat entranced, his silken-robed better half leaned forward, plucking her youngest from the floor to bid it listen to "the pretty moosie." Upstairs and downstairs the delighted tenants blessed the day that Moriarty's builders scammed their work, leaving the house so like a colander that Cordelia Byrne could play them all into the seventh heaven of delight with Paderewski's peasant dance—so suited to the joyous temperament of the Irish audience and to their pretty taste in music.

Miss Byrne was taken into the warmest corners of the hearts in the Maisonette on that night. She could almost have demanded instant membership in the Bloomingdale Bowling club to which nearly all the tenants belonged.

That was, as we recollect it, on a Friday night. The following Wednesday found everything unchanged except the temper of Moriarty's tenants. On the night the Pinocchio club, composed of six of the male tenants of the Maisonette, met in Mr. Mahoney's apartments. Five of the members were on hand promptly and waited for Mr. Moriarty, the sixth, to arrive. Miss Byrne, in the rear suite opposite the floor with the Mahoneys, met the club members with the countenance of Paderewski's to which we have referred, and with which all the men and women in the Maisonette had for some time been familiar.

The plot was afoot. The innocent prescient of what he once boasted as being the happiest bunch of homes on God's earth was to be trapped when he came for a night's enjoyment, by a rebellious band of tenants who had sworn that either they, Miss Byrne or her piano must leave the house on the first of the incoming month.

Meanwhile Miss Byrne finished the one hundred and sixtieth rendering of the dainty peasant dance, and, closing the blinds, moved across the neat and cozy parlor, softly perfumed with a delicate odor of lilac, to the writing-table and penned a note to her sister. We may read over her shoulders as she writes:

"There is nothing to write, only I know you are wondering. It is winter now all with me. I may go back to the counter of a department store—but it won't be until I have to."

"I've taken the little money mother left me and furnished the apartment. I dressed myself with the quietest care so as to look ladylike at St. Catherine's where I am staying. I've thrown myself headlong into everything that's doing in the church, and I am so quiet and demure that I don't think you'd recognize your merry romp of a sister if you saw me. Butter wouldn't melt in my mouth and I never lift my eyes above the sidewalk. I should have thought by this time some man would break his neck, almost to get acquainted with me, just to see if he couldn't make me raise my eyes."

"The trouble is that I only see women at the church, and I made a bad choice of an apartment house because the men here are nearly all married and are such oysters that not one has yet made my acquaintance. The landlord is single, though, and rich."

"Not that I want to fool anybody, Lou, dear. Only, I'm as good as any girl that's got a home and a husband—and love. I'm too good to stand and yell 'meat' here, cash!" behind a counter, year in and year out, with a slim, one-to-a-thousand chance of marrying a poor walker before I die."

"I am so lonely and I am playing such a desperate game! But if you could look in on me, Lou, I'd just sim-

ply let loose and we'd have a real old time romp. I am breaking the ice here in the Moriarty-Maisonette in the funniest way. I am doing it with a piano. It's bound to get me acquainted with somebody of the adorable sex. But you must wait until I tell you how my piano is helping me—when I know how it all turns out. Your loving sister,

"CORDELIA."

"That's our last word, Moriarty," Mr. Mahoney was saying to the landlord, who stood with his back against the wall, facing the other members of the Pinocchio club, "the Maisonette's turned into a music box that plays the same tune, and it's a case of 'good riddance to bad rubbish' with the lot of us."

"Hold on, now," said Moriarty, "what's the use of such talk between friends? Leave it to me. I'll go and see the girl and give her the kiss-boob, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive. As she set out a

cup of tea, she said, "I guess the suit is about done; I told Merrifield the other day that I would give him \$15 and he might go to h—l, all right. What's her and her planner to me, where the likes o' you old friends is concerned?"

When Miss Byrne opened the door to receive his visit, she greeted him with such evident, though guarded and blushing pride, as would have flattered any man alive